

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated March 2, 2010, the Applicant hereby files a Request for Continued Examination and a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement submitting several potentially relevant references. The Applicant believes, however, that the pending allowed claims are also allowable over these newly submitted references and requests that the Examiner again pass the present application to allowance.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that all of the presently pending claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the present Request for Continued Examination and Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be considered and entered that the case now be passed to issue.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number below to expedite resolution of any issues the Examiner may consider to remain unresolved. In particular, should a Notice of Allowance not be forthcoming, the Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned for a telephonic interview.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 13-0235 for the fee for the Request for Continued Examination. It is believed that no additional fees or deficiencies in fees are owed. However, authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 13-0235 in the event any additional fees are owed.

Respectfully submitted,

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